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1. SUMMARY: SULLIVAN AND GORDON HAD USEFUL REVIEW OF  
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MARCAGGI FROM MFA, ROSSIGNOL AND THIBODEAU FROM FISHER-

IES ADMINISTRATION. FRENCH INDICATED THEY WOULD SUPPORT US POSITION AT MONTREAL BUT ASKED THAT THEIR SPECIFIC INTEREST (HERRING) BE PROTECTED TO MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE.

2. FRENCH CLEARLY IMPRESSED BY EXPOSITION OF RECENT US SCIENTISTS' FINDING THAT HERRING AND MACKEREL STOCKS MORE SERIOUSLY DEPLETED THAN PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED. FRENCH AGREED THAT CONSERVATION AND RECONSTITUTION OF BIOMASS JUSTIFIED SHORT-TERM CATCH REDUCTIONS; THEY INDICATED READINESS TO SUPPORT US POSITION FOR 550,000 TON SECOND TIER QUOTA (INCLUDING SQUID), BUT MADE PITCH FOR MINIMUM POSSIBLE REDUCTION IN THEIR SMALL HERRING EFFORT. US TEAM NOTED THAT SMALLER FISHERS HAD TRADITIONALLY FARED PROPORTIONATELY BETTER IN QUOTA REDUCTIONS, AND OFFERED US DELEGATION'S COOPERATION IN RETURN FOR FRENCH SUPPORT ON OVERALL QUOTA CUT.

3. GORDON INFORMED FRENCH OF RECENT AREA 5 FISHING VIOLATIONS BY FRENCH VESSELS "CAPITAINE PLEVIN" AND "JOSEPH ROTY II". FRENCH SAID THEY NOT SURPRISED, AND NOTED DIFFICULTY OF CONTROLLING DISTANT FISHERS, PARTICULARLY AS CATCH REGULATIONS GET MORE COMPLICATED. GORDON IN RESPONSE REVIEWED US POSITION ON EFFORT LIMITATION AND NOTED CANADIAN MOVES IN THAT DIRECTION; HE ALSO INTRODUCED QUESTION OF GREATER ICNAF MEMBER-STATE ENFORCEMENT EFFORT IN FISHERIES AREA. FRENCH TOOK NOTE OF GORDON'S REMARKS. THEY SEEMED FAVORABLY INTERESTED BY SHIP LICENSING IDEA, BUT SAID THEY WOULD HAVE TO CHECK WITH INDUSTRIAL GROUPS. WHEN US TEAM RAISED POSSIBILITY OF GEORGES' BANK CLOSURE, FRENCH DID NOT REACT STRONGLY BUT SAID THEY WOULD WANT TO CONSULT WITH FISHERS BEFORE GIVING OPINION. FRENCH ALSO AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO REVISION OF TRAWLER EXEMPTIONS.

4. FRENCH RAISED POSSIBILITY OF HAVING OWN QUOTA RATHER THAN FISHING UNDER "OTHERS" CATEGORY, BUT DID NOT PURSUE THIS. DISCUSSION HOWEVER LED TO POSSIBILITY OF RECONSIDERING SECOND TIER QUOTA SUBSEQUENT TO SETTING OF HERRING SUB-QUOTAS DURING JANUARY SPECIAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MEETING. IDEA WAS SIMPLY LEFT ON TABLE.

5. SULLIVAN BRIEFED FRENCH ON ADMINISTRATION EFFORTS TO STAVE OFF UNILATERAL US DECLARATION OF EXCLUSIVE FISHERIES ZONE. FRENCH HOWEVER DID NOT APPEAR OVERLY CONCERNED, NOTING ONLY THAT THEY CONSIDER 200-MILE ZONE INEVITABLE WHETHER OR NOT COMPREHENSIVE LOS CONVENTION IS NEGOTIATED.

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